

The editors of QZ wish to express their deep sympathy to the family of the Prime Minister in their sad bereavement. We regret that this issue was already printed before the tragic events of Sunday, 17th December.

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# BEST WE

**Bubble-bubble Smoker of 1967:** (among other awards) to H. Holt for his statement in June that the Arab-Israeli trouble was "all huffing and puffing" and would never lead to war (also in June).

**OZ Humane Society Medal:** to Sir Frank Packer for Sydney "Telegraph" editorials.

- suggesting control of Negro riots by shooting a hundred darts,

- approving the Ryan hanging (alone amongst Australian newspapers),

- advising Vote No in the referendum on Aborigines,

- urging impeachment of Mr. Justice McGlelland after the Cathbert Case

**Freedom of the Press-Gang:** again to Sir Frank for his work during the Sydney journalists' strike, for helping new talent (i.e., Donald Horne), by losing artist Les Tanner and editor Peter Coleman after an issue of the "Bulletin" which so displeased him that it was pulped, and more recently for winning an abject apology out of "Nelson" following nasty insinuations over share-deals involving his bet-norse Rupert Murdoch.

**Machiavelli Memorial:** to Alan Fitzgerald for his masterly "Don't Vote For Me" campaign which won him a seat on the A.C.T. Advisory Council as its first True Whig member — and its only candidate ever to run backwards for office.

**Most Firmly Lost Cause:** New State Movement in N.S.W., died 29th April, 1967, of an acute re-lax-dism.



**Uplifts of the Year:**

Cross My Heart bras  
Harold's Devaluation Speech—"good electoral material but economic blege". BMH  
Ed Clark: "Ich bin ein Australian"

**Drop-Out of the Year:** Dr. Timothy Leary, who has stepped down as head archangel of the League of Spiritual Development and married his former aide



D. N. EVERINGHAM (A.L.P.)

F. R. RUDD (Lib.)

**Remulus and Remus Prize:** shared

by Dr. Everingham (new member for Capricornia) and his brother-in-law Mr. Rudd (the runner-up), both of whom had a hard time with political wolves during the election. When Treasurer McMahon (Moulin Rouge Award 1967 as Communist Can-Can Kicker) began baying at the moon and savaging the doctor, Rudd threatened to withdraw. Proving himself a good scout but a lousy McMahon cub.

**Folk-Runs-Amok Section:** Marjara Faithless, for services to the Persian Rug industry and her suggestion that sexual intercourse should now be portrayed in films. The Italian film seducer Federico Fellini, is currently working on this latter suggestion and is soon to release the fruit of his endeavour under the old title, "Keystone Cops".

**Bundle for Britain Award:** Judy Lockrey, Australian entrant in Miss World who abandoned British nationality and was naturalised only weeks before leaving for the judging in London (from whence she does not seem to have returned).

**Sir Robert Menzies Memorial Prize for Liberal Principles That Know When Not To Go Too Far:** the Duke of Edinburgh, for continuing to project an "enlightened" image but keeping remarkably silent about his Greek relative, King Constantine the Fleabane.

**Hostess with the Leastest:** Mrs. Ignace Listwan who brought out the posh of the Peacock Throne Princess Soraya. After staging a tantrum over a cholera injection, bouncing out of charity events and refusing to go anywhere near the Melbourne Cup, the princess also won our nomination for Person Least Likely to Succeed.

**World's Biggest Lie:** that the Viet-cong are all communists and under the direct manipulation of Hanoi (in December, even at last denied by the "Sunday Telegraph"). And Most Hogelol Prediction: an end to Vietnam and hence the discrediting and defeat of the Holt Government.

**"The Loved One" of the Year:** to Jayne Mansfield who lost her head in the most tasteless death of the year and then had every old flame descend upon her ashes in unseemly haste. Also to William Manchester who is surely beginning "Deaths of a Sex Queen" to cash in on yet another American myth.

ASKIN CAN DO IT!  
SO CAN HIS MERRY MEN!



**Robin Hood Prize:** to Eric Willis, N.S.W. Chief Secretary (glasses) as unnerrest man and for having people doing it.

# FORGET

## Closed Chapters Price:

- "Twenty Unread Letters to a Friend" by the sweet Svetlana
- "Afternoon Light" — an evening of boredom by a master of turgidity

## Worst New Ideas:

- "The Naked Ape" — psychedelicatesens macro-skirts
- Sadie the Cleaning Lady the Anti-Anti Football League
- three new DLP senators transcendentalizing hippies
- Mohammed Ali Webster
- CIA subsidies



**MRS. BLACK, nee Shirley Temple.**



## Catch a Falling Star Award:

to Chuck Faulkner as the most degraded pop hero of 1967. Acquitted of being the brains behind a TV payroll scoop, Chuck is now chief sprukler for Z.Z. Cut-Price Centro Stores publicizing radio scoops, fool scoops and crazy Nodding Animal scoops, which just about scoop the bottom of the barrel.

**Special Goldfish Trophy:** Andrew Jones, M.P., for the most open face with the most closed mind.

## Happy Families:

Andrey Hepburn-Mel Ferrer  
Mia Farrow-Frank Sinatra  
Mae Britt-Sammy Davis Jr.

**"Good Ship Lollipop" Award:** to the most short-lived political career in history. Shared by Shirley Temple (now Black) and Col. Nguyen Ky (still faintly yellow).

## Banner Headline of the Year:

"Stars Nude Dance" (Sunday Mirror, Dec. 10). This referred to a single buried paragraph in an inside story on Vanessa Redgrave ("She handed out her latest shock to a theatre audience this week when she danced baretop before a theatre audience in London") in a much longer article on something else. This single, obscure paragraph, on which apparently the whole issue was to be sold, was not only ill-written and stale (the "Sun" had carried the story four days earlier) but untrue (the "theatre audience" were some actors and the episode was, in fact, a scene from a forthcoming film).

**Family Planner of the Year:** Stanley Korman for his remarkable ability to syphon money out of his public companies to save his family companies from the financial ruin he brought to others.

**Most Hideous Excess:** seven doctors for the Brisbane quins (0.714285 repeater of a quin for each doctor — ignoring the mother as the journalist will).

## Whatever Happened To:

Sergeant Harry Giles  
Wedicott Forbes  
Slivvics  
The Vincent Report  
Haley's Black Book

**Most Considered Verdict:** Sir Robert Menzies for "I certainly haven't carved out a masterpiece."

**Blackest Comedy Cap:** to Tony Hancock for Hecup's Half Hour at the Dandy Theatre, Melbourne.

**Carcinome Diploma:** to the most published and least worthy cancer victims of 1967, Sir Laurence Olivier, Lucine Wallace, Boby Lomb.

**Most Significant Departures:** "Last Exit from Brooklyn", banned in London.



**Transcendental Gipple:** Mokanshi Makecash Yogi Bear.



# PHIZZLES

## ESD of ABC

WHEN IT COMES to politics the ABC has two major problems which it has never been able to solve. These are ownership and finance.

Both Liberal and ALP members have had the idea that they should be able to influence what is otherwise an independent statutory Commission in its choice of viewpoints and programs. In recent times a number of politicians have bowed heavily on the ABC because of Four Corners.

More recently Sir John Pommeroy, General Sir Holman told ABC personnel that they seemed to be avoiding the highest standards in their TV programs. Presumably he thought of Commonwealth football, test etc. Australian Playhouse and the bull-dog-shouting segment in Four Corners. The DCP shared in this although its main gripe is that it is not treated as the third major party while it comes to sponsoring this sort of election squall.

When Four Corners was under fire several years ago the ABC argued what the whips cracked: that the day after Mr Holman's infamous speech with every television producing station programs a mass walk-out to ABC-TV production staff. From his head Melbourne, federal Minister of Programs, the now defunct news paper reports that ABC Chairman Sir Robert Madwick had been "assassinated" to appear before Mr Holman to hear more about his dirty show—it was just an ordinary quarterly meeting.

The writer had a high regard for the programs being produced, it continued, to ABC staff should ignore newspaper reports and continue to produce to their hearts' content. The ABC wasn't playing Pommeroy's knock.

But finance is a different story. The ABC gets far higher ratings but lower higher costs, especially for home-grown shows. This Day Tonight costs more in a day than Four Corners over did in a week, each Commonwealth (with local add-on) is up around \$50,000 and the fledgling Special Projects division costs plenty, although it hasn't yet sent a message to air. Add the abominable Ecu Alright (and New South Wales has swapped—Reg Livermore will get an equally bloodcurdling "saturation comedy") plus Belibied, plus Australian Playhouse and something is gotta give. Apparently it won't be the treasury.

Special Projects is obviously short of money. Then Day Tonight will go into an audibility 21 month series instead of the planned three weeks. The new Corners hard-to-series may still begin production on March but may likely lose and it won't begin on air till August. The budget has

been slashed—last film and lots fewer series. New documentaries have been stopped and the Playhouse production is postponed until late in the year and all that for one reason. No money. If you can't beat them, starve them.

## SWEET COPS

N.S.W. State Labour really looked at though they were playing for real when they raised the Warragah allegations in parliament. They had previously set up a three-man committee of investigation, an whose findings they were relying for material. They were held back in their attack only in the knowledge, furnished by the same committee, that two of their own men were also involved.

The No case may well prove interesting. Some of the personalities involved are associated with the ex-politicians convicted on drug charges in the U.S. At least two police officers have recently been transferred all this case far being too efficient in their ferreting.

## PROF-CONG?

The appeal by a number of Sydney professors for Civil Aid for South Vietnam has received widespread publicity. Locally, or internationally, it has taken some of the publicity impetus away from the Vietnam protesting academics. Of course, if the appeal fails to reach its target of \$10,000—it will prove a worthy white wash with which to beat the newspapers for their lack of sympathy for the South Vietnamese.

The letter launching the appeal has not gone out to all academics. Presumably postage will be saved by not bothering about the better known professors, who would be unlikely—whatever their feelings about Civil Aid—to subscribe to an appeal which means are so heavily committed to military action. The letter refers warmly to the generosity of three conservative academics who have promised the Appeal half their recent pay increase. But this one of the trustees has the very strong conviction that this particular increase was a violation that this academic has no children and a wife with income.

But the most interesting part about the begging letter is its statement that donations are tax-deductible.

If it were true, this would be the first foreign and charity to obtain such a con-

cession from the Treasury. It is a concession that better known and longer established organisations, like Freedom from Hunger, Inter-Church Aid, Save the Children Fund and the United Nations Appeal for Children, have failed to obtain in the past. The Treasury has always argued that these charities are a drain on currency and not to be encouraged, which has been at loggerheads with E.A.'s claim that they are raising in currency not owed to the government 1%. Apparently if private individuals are prepared to boost the national effort in the area they are not to be granted.

Suddenly after many years of agitation over this particular tax concession, a small newly-formed group is to receive immediate recognition. Or, like this, the official answer had second thoughts and the final decision if it is in favour of the Appeal will be against the recommendation of the Tax Commissioner. The Government must be very grateful to these hard-working academics.

## FILM CLIP

NATION REVEALED recently that a head Commonwealth Film Commission board had appointed Deputy Film Commission to use this film that its official answer couldn't quite manage. There have been persistent rumours that anyone around from typists to office boys might be co-opted given a list of "objectionable subjects" and shunted in to a movie. If the proxy censor needed the alarm his authentic argument would be checked by one of the Board.

Appointing Deputies demonstrated this sort of activity although the Censor still had complete discretion as to whom he appointed. This means that he could select any Tom, Dick or Harry to enforce his own ideas of taste and decency on the filmgoers.

One particular Dick was more other than Ray Seymour Fisher as Speaker of the N.S.W. Legislative Assembly. A Miss Shepherd alleged in 1965 that he had spoken an obscene remark and then Fisher went down looking at her. A court found the charges unfounded but Ray's political career was ended. He died this year.

But Ray was made a Deputy after he left the Chair and if you think that obscenity was a strange field for him then you just don't know much about Public Service appointments in the higher echelons.

**"PHIZZLES" GOES AWOL**  
Phizzles are Australian inventions, as distinct from American conglomeration, English made and Scandinavian Quisling.



Northern Hemisphere: Perceptive journalists had picked up a faint message that sounded like "conspiracy".

"I will stir up my ire," groined the Old Limer from afar.

In a written statement Whitlam made no comment but intimated that he did not believe in U.F.O's. If the L.F.D. leads off Sydney Herald it is understood he will be overruled by the police branch "Nemesis" and will on a speech making trip around Australia starting in 1964.

Dec. 17 The Late Premier-General Malins deplored the moral standards of the ABC. The swimming of an empty intellectual cripple.

"Jordan is accused of sinners" (Auss) Is further Middle East flash reports from the

Trojan. Mail Council Jordan was also accused of diverting the maintenance of civil and monetary problems. The matter was referred to C. Frank (played by G. Whaling).

Dec. 2. A new insight into the "Pinnacle Palace State" was exposed as an Aboriginal Senator in Townsville where one speaker pointed out that under Governmental regulations aboriginals could be detained in a dormitory for criminal conduct; being idle or conduct at night, for failing to close a gate required to be shut for destroying property, failing to obey orders or being in town. There is no talk here on this detention and no right of appeal. Every State has its own Bilingual Governmental variation on Civil Liberties, but the wretched "Pinnacle Line" takes a lot of beating.

The London Daily Mail's court correspondent in a newly released book produced the following world famous quote of a former States of Europe and Charles would open Parliament of "Kingdom-states like Australia". When asked to comment, Her R. M. was very busy looking Europe up at his garden and Charles was "unresponsive". It was also suggested that Charles might be quite Vainly believed to be an obscure reference to Lord Thompson's private charity.

Dec. 4. St. Henry John showed that Melbourne's winter regulations were due to his Government's burning. "This insight is in act of God," he back-passed.

Title of Two Canines. At Rennie Park Ashes (Miss Hollywood Tootsie "66 Miss Diana Beauty 57) Swedish secret and title had in the altered entry. Candy, was waiting the arrival of on-Sun Rango. In Miami Mrs. Candy Maynor, grand-daughter-in-law, was announcing her impending marriage to her young nephew, Nelson Powers. The kid had to beat a murder rap to get Candy off her father's husband but it is unlikely that he is a great role of sportmen trying to get Candy off the lot.

Dec. 8. Kudos to Billie Smolkin for agreeing that some South Vietnamese war orphans should come to Australia. A swimming in the grey clouds of our advanced troops, national solace.

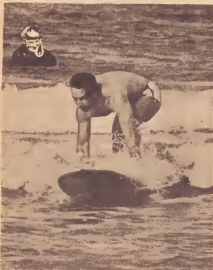


A Northern Territory womanhood guided aboriginal workers, engineer Dexter Denald on a charge of vagrancy, because he claimed to find no money in his pocket. Half the reason for Denald's poverty is his refusal to work for anything but award wages. Perhaps the paid marriage might like to measure the strength of his convictions against the vagaries of equal pay for equal work, regardless of size.

Dec. 6. More Victorian unbecomings revealed this time by Whitlam—the Swindle Wrecker.

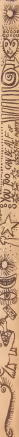
The Victorian Legislative Council abolished capital punishment for pregnant women. We forecast the day when the old life in the tank is replaced by a test-tube and semen vintner. And how many modernities will regard rape as literally "a fair game that death"? Glorious thoughts and long overgrowth.

Dec. 24 The Three Wise Men of the East (played by Newton, Brown and Gail) General revolt to their pastoral game of fate in the manager. The Mordic East continues rumble on in Arabia, Yemen and Turkey while in Cyprus it is hoped to be Turkey this Christmas.



DECEMBER 1. Dva Dorsai is one of the "muscle vagabond" Whitlamites—full of novel ideas and vague ideological commitments. A vigorous sportman Dva usually spends his leisure hours out on the beach, "soft peddling" the Labor platform. Today however the "Australian" photographer has caught him at yet establishing his electrical plank on the new wave.

Meanwhile in Sydney Gaugh told the ABC Staff Association: Concepts of public enterprise based on outright nationalisation and the creation of government monopolies have little relevance to contemporary Australian problems.



# VOYAGER...

1967, Gough Whitlam recently told a friend, was the Year of Aviation—VFP flights, F111A's and even pilots' strikes. "1968 will be the Year of the Navy."

1968 Parliament will begin with an Opposition attack on the Government for its handling during the last four years of the Voyager Case. This attack was foreshadowed by Whitlam on November 16, during one of his election statements, when he revealed that the Liberal Member for Warringham, Mr. Edward St. John, QC, was circulating among government members a document "showing the fabrications, distortions and oppressions of Liberal ministers on this matter . . . A diligent Press or an inquisitive public might be able to discover details".

It is not surprising that the general public has lost its inquisitiveness about this case as it has dragged on for too long to retain most people's interest. However, we have here tried to piece together the important facts that have emerged, to emphasise the scandal that has been revealed and, hopefully, to put in a bid for the title of "1968's Most Diligent Press".

On February 15, 1964 RIMAS Melbourne and RIMAS Voyager suffered during night exercises. The disaster occurred off Jarvis Bay (although in the heat of the moment the Navy conspicuously purposed its tragic operations at a location somewhere west of the Blue Mountains).

Such disasters were typical of the Navy in 1964. In 1958 Vendetta had crashed into the docks at Williamstown Dockyards in 1956 Anzac bombed the Tobruk during (unsuccessful) gunnery exercises and the Woomers exploded 20 miles off Sydney. In 1963 Queensland and the British submarine Talisker collided off Jarvis Bay, and in the same year five naval ratings lost their lives in a wall-bomb.

A Royal Commission was obligatory. Sir John Spoor was subsequently appointed sole commissioner, with Smith, QC, as his assistant. Sir John was a former Attorney-General under Menzies, a name which raised criticism even at the time. John lost Parliament as early as 20th September, 1964. "I do not serve with judges being appointed from this House, and I do not agree that Greater Ministers of the Government should be appointed to take command of inquiries into matters in which the Commonwealth is vitally concerned. . . I do not know who appointed him (Smith) I understand that he is a politician and so far as I am aware, that was his only qualification in relation to knowledge of the case."

Sir John had no first hand knowledge of Naval technology and should not have sat on this Commission on his own. The Government's decision to appoint three judges to the second Voyager Commission shows its late acknowledgment of this.

From the start of the first Royal Commission it was clear that Captain Robertson was under attack and was not to obtain quite the fair deal that was to be the lot of Captain Stevens, whose family was represented by Mr. F. M. Osborne (Blenworth & Osborne), also a former Minister in a Menzies Government.

It has been claimed that Sir Robert had little time for Robertson. From the outset the Commonwealth met the complete costs of legal representation for the families of Capt Stevens and Lt. Col. Price. The officers were constantly contacted with the affairs of the Voyager, but none whatsoever for Robertson, who began proceedings representing himself at the Bar table. It was only under pressure from Leo and other Liberal Party members that Sir Robert finally conceded Robertson representation (at first only junior counsel and later none).

The Royal Commissioner went out of his way to refer to the one black mark against Robertson (he had once been censured for his handling of the Vendetta) like one in a season to mention that Stevens had lost six months' seniority, had been passed over twice and also that he had been court-martialled when the Kuala ran aground.

In fact, while Sir John ultimately appointed the primary blame for the tragedy on the Voyager (it can be said, I think, that the collision was caused by errors of Voyager making a turn beyond 200 degrees. It is not possible to form any firm conclusion as to why Voyager did this) yet Robertson and two of his sponsor sons (Kerry and Neil) were the only officers criticised individually by the Commission. When the Commission ended, Robertson was not retained in his captivity of Melbourne and was given a shore job. When he resigned in protest the Menzies Government refused to grant him any part of a pension in return for the 34 years he had spent in the service.

In contrast to the rough treatment accorded Robertson, Stevens in 1964 was made out to be the epitome of all Naval officers. Of course, there was evidence before the Commission that the captain had had a triple bypass 14 hours before the collision but the implications of this were hardly mentioned. In the Navy there

is no regulation enforcing abstinence at sea (unlike the KAAP where there is a regulation that liquor may not be consumed within 12 hours of the pilot taking to sea) but there is a long-standing tradition that officers do not drink at sea—one which Stevens had always observed.

Yet when it was revealed to the Royal Commission that Stevens had drunk at sea on the night of the collision, the reaction was nothing remarkable. When the autopsy reports came back on the only three Voyager bodies that were ever recovered from the sea, all had alcohol in their blood, but somehow these reports were not read in court and so the significance of these findings was never evident to the general public.

Mr. Edward St. John, in his plea for a second Royal Commission, told parliament "I have looked at the Press to see how it reported the proceedings on that day when the autopsy reports and blood samples were produced in evidence. The Press knew nothing of this. Those reports and blood samples were read out, but the reports were not read. The Press reported on that day the evidence of Admiral Gaither in which he spoke of the admirable conduct of the captain of the Voyager. According to him, the captain was the paragon of all virtues."

The blood alcohol level for these, the only three bodies recovered, were Stevens 25mg%, the Navigating Officer (Lieut. Cook) 15mg% and Able Seaman Parker 35mg%. 50mg% is accepted in Victoria and other states as intoxication but Able Seaman Parker was not on duty, although he was apparently beyond the physical line and thus committing an offence. The Navigating Officer had only 15mg% but he was an officer. John demanded punishment. "Now, I am not on expert advice,







even above the captain above all people, is expected to be most responsible and most abstinent? And what are we to say about Capt Stevens' 22mg? He wasn't intoxicated in the usual meaning of the word but was he judgment affected? Sir John Spiller appears to have been unconcerned.

Despite the fact that he found the Voyageur's behaviour on that fatal night 'merely a nuisance' Sir John seemed strangely reluctant to explain the implications of the 22mg? One expert only was called, Prof Blackburn of Sydney University.

Prof Blackburn was asked to assess the blood analysis—the validity and reliability of which were never established—and to comment on their significance in the context of Stevens' drinking habits, as explained to him in private by Mr Smyth. This evidence came under heavy attack from Ted M. John in his speech to parliament.

"If it was desired to place reliance upon Capt Stevens' drinking habits, to show that 22mg did not affect him, then these drinking habits should have been established by evidence and not referred to at second hand by Prof. Blackburn. . . I am told that even in the coroner's court, where the rules of evidence are not very strict, it is usual to prove that a sample was taken from the dead body of an identified person and that it was delivered to the analyst and that the analyst analysed it. None of these points was established. Prof. Blackburn is not expert in these matters, but obviously he made some study of the subject so that he could give evidence. This was the first time he had ever given evidence in a judicial inquiry. He is called to brush all the suggestions aside.

"If honourable members look at the transcript they will see some curious things.

I do not attempt to attack the Commissioner or counsel, but I am concerned with the issue of this disaster. It was evident that the steward was asked about the captain's condition when the steward delivered the triple brandy to him. It is curious that these autopsy reports and blood samples were looked but not read. The Press never woke up to the fact that the only three bodies that were recovered all contained a percentage of alcohol. It is curious that Mr. Blomster should have believed in it, say, after the other samples were involved. Very well. As I understand it—and I think this should be made clear early in the press—there is no problem that the captain . . . Mr. Smyth takes him up saying 'No. Neither the captain nor the navigator was in any way affected by liquor. . . . Then comes the evidence of Prof Blackburn who was sworn in as his qualification, and his opinion that 22mg of alcohol was most likely to affect Capt Stevens."

Prof Blackburn was defended later in the debate by "Puffing Billy" McIlinden, who described him as "Professor Ruden Blackburn, who is a personal friend of mine" (Prof Blackburn's full name is Charles Matthew Ruden Blackburn, "Charles" to his friends). The professor is undoubtedly a highly qualified academic but despite having McIlinden's personal opinion, professors of medicine are not experts in every field. Prof Blackburn had every reason to be "amateurish" in his qualifications in the field of blood analysis, which is only loosely related to his principal field of expertise, liver diseases.

When real experts in this field finally gave evidence—during the second Commission—a more alarming picture of Capt Stevens' alcoholism emerged. The NSW Government Analyst, who had performed the original analysis and had 26 years' experience behind him but whom no one had seen or felt at all the first time, testified that he had indeed had great reservations about the accuracy of the readings. He believed

that one factor which seriously lowered the reading (the sample bottles were too large) and agreed that there might have been other factors having the same effect. Worse, Prof Blackburn himself testified that at a recent International Conference on Alcohol and Road Traffic, Accidents it was agreed that relatively low concentrations of alcohol (20 to 40mg) can affect a person's judgement and slow his reactions.

The carelessness with which the first Commission omitted to explore the alcohol story at all became most noticeable in view of Stevens' reputation as a drinker, which had earned him the now notorious nickname "Drunkie Duncan". Robertson knew of this reputation but refused to let his counsel (Black QC) raise the matter. Since there were witnesses flying around the Navy at the time of the first Commission that Stevens was drunk on the night of the disaster it is inconceivable that none of this came to the ears of Smyth. Yet nothing was said.

It is in this context that Peter Cabban made his first statement to Smyth, in which he denied that Stevens ever drank at sea but affirmed that he more than made up for this abstinence when in port. Cabban, it must be remembered, was not some cabin-boy passing on third-hand news gossip—though his statement was given about the study evidence—he had been second-in-command to Stevens over a long period lasting a mere three months before the collision.

Why did Smyth never bring Cabban before the first Commission?

The Member for the Navy (Mr Chapp) told Parliament during the Voyageur debate this year that "Mr Smyth had formed the judgement that Mr Cabban was unreliable and his evidence was uncorroborated and irrelevant" but Smyth denies on oath that he ever told the Minister this. "Smyth told Mr Black he did not remember having read Cabban's statement was unreliable, uncorroborated and irrelevant." (SMH, August 2). Incidentally, this was the second time that day that Smyth alleged the Minister had misinterpreted the House. At the end of 1985 Chapp claimed Smyth had told him that all relevant witnesses had been called at the first Commission but Smyth categorically denies having made any such statement.

Too many reasons have been given for Smyth's failing to call Cabban in the witness stand during the first Commission for one not to be suspicious. The first reason was the most ludicrous: it was claimed that Smyth concerned that Cabban was somewhat of a drunkard himself.

Smyth had sent a Commonwealth policeman (Turner) out to interview Cabban originally about Stevens' nautical ability. Turner had already claimed that "he was so much under the influence of liquor I didn't think it was any use conducting the interview". Under cross-examination Smyth agreed that the statement obtained from Cabban at this interview was sensible, coherent and highly informed in parts. Since the Naval Board during the second Commission was trying to paint a picture



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of Calhoun as a witness, with suggested suspicion about drunkenness, this somewhat slender was not pursued very far and it was not put forward as a definitive reason for ignoring Calhoun.

Seytch claims he felt Calhoun had a grudge against the Navy (although he only got his feeling towards the end of the interview he had with him). He remembers telling Sir John Spoor, when he discussed with him whether Calhoun should be called before the Commission. "I said that from the conversation with Calhoun I had formed the view that he was unreliable. I thought he would go to great lengths to over-embellish." (Commissioner's notebook, July 31, 1947) Since, at the second hearing, Calhoun lasted no less than seven days on the stand without "going to prison", this would seem to show a remarkable lack of judgment by Seytch, completely at variance with his usual skill as an advocate.

Seytch claims that he did not call Calhoun because his statement had been completely contradicted by Voyager's former Navigating Officer (Lieut. Commander Griffith). This alleged denial of Calhoun's statement by Griffith was also used in Parliament by Mr. Chapp to discredit Calhoun. This is the statement by Griffith denied in paragraph 14 "Many of the statements of Lieut. Commander P. Calhoun are not familiar to me, and therefore I was not in a position to substantiate them to Mr. Seytch, Q.C. . . . I stated strongly to Mr. Seytch that Captain Stevens did not drink alcohol at sea."

It is immediately clear that the only positive statement Griffith makes is, in fact, in corroboration of Calhoun: that Stevens never drank at sea! When Seytch was asked what this at the second Commission, "Seytch said that Griffith had denied every positive statement that Calhoun had made about Stevens drinking to excess. 'My recollection of what Griffith said was that Stevens was in command all the time'" (SABR, August 1). Yet a month later, when Griffith was giving evidence, he affirmed that he had seen Stevens drunk at the birthday dinner and that Calhoun had spent at least one day in command outside Tokyo (two of the crucial events in Calhoun's statement).

We shall never really know what happened in this early interview between Seytch and Griffith but, even if Griffith had said that Calhoun was going to be back next day, Seytch here has been confused with that. Was it really possible to dis-credit Calhoun on the day of a junior officer and to jump immediately to the conclusion that six or seven months later Voyager had had its second-in-command a man who was capable of constructing the Melbourne disaster?

John H. Hearn, Q.C.'s understatement of Seytch over this matter:

Hearn: May I take it that in view of this other conflict between Calhoun and Griffith on what Calhoun had been saying you asked Griffith was Calhoun some sort of liar?

SEYTCH: I don't remember that.

Hearn: Didn't you agree to find why there was such a discrepancy very early between the executive officer and the navigator?

SEYTCH: No.

This is not a very convincing performance by a senior Queen's Counsel and gives rise to great suspicion, particularly in view of the affidavits presented to the second Commission by Judge Edward Hicks. Hicks' experienced Capt. Robertson in the first Commission and since then has been appointed a N.S.W. District Court Judge and Chairman of Quarter Sessions. This is the learned Judge's recollection of the Spoor Commission: "I never knew of any arrangement between Admiral Hastings the Commissioner (Seytch) and counsel appearing for the Stevens family to suppress evidence concerning drinking. On the other hand I could not help noticing during the course of the Commission that there seemed never had harsh words even though, at some stage or another most other counsel did."

When Sir John Spoor was questioned about Calhoun, Sir Robert Menzies, then P.M., declared with his usual plain rhetoric: "In relation to this evidence, it is essential that nothing that should be made known is hidden. That is the whole object in this matter. So far as we are concerned, no effort will be spared in bringing to light all the facts relating to this most tragic event."

That, if you like, was where the Voyager credibility trap began. The longer the second commission has lasted the more inadequate for John Spoor's investigation appears Calhoun's evidence should never have been excluded, the triple brandy and blood alcohol levels should never have been discussed so extensively, Capt. Robertson should never have been treated in such a purely unfair manner. A little more effort in fact could have been well expended.

During the period between the first and second Royal Commissions, as it will know a number of individuals within the Liberal Party attempted to reopen the case. They met a dismal wall and remarkable lack of co-operation. When copies of the Spoor Commission transcript were requested from the Parliamentary Library, for example it was learnt that there was a Calhoun instruction against this (later removed by the Attorney General under pressure).

On the afternoon and evening of May 13, 1947, Hearn, Hearn, Sir John and Turner put their strongest prospect on the line by demanding from their own

Government a new inquiry. Despite their plea that the matter was about "party politics", they were met by the usual departmental posturing of the Opposition and disbelief by the Government, whose ranks contain a substantial array of ex-Members of the Navy (McMahon, Dr. Forbes, Senator Gorton, Chapple and the present incumbent, Chapple).

Mr. McMahon, who at such times always throws a line that the Minister's government, released the House with a collection of Memos on Calhoun's naval record. There were taken from a long list of letters sent to the Admiralty, Rear-Admiral McNicoll, and entitled "The Character of Calhoun", by McMahon somehow failed to mention that Calhoun had been four times recommended for immediate promotion—twice by Stevens—and that Admiral McNicoll had himself condemned Calhoun for prohibition. This might have put his other stated remarks in better perspective.

But the contention of the Government's refusal of Calhoun's statement was that it was "uncorroborated" and statements were generally read in Parliament which "impeached" Calhoun. This *impeachment* was popularized by the reformer Chapp and taken up by the great pair of impostors on a good note, the P.M. ("We are now told on the uncorroborated evidence of two men that we have been dealing with a chronic drunkard" — Mr. Holt) and McMahon ("I want to state in clear language that I do not think there is evidence that Captain Stevens drank to excess").

How much different research would be had with a blind statement to Parliament? When it came to the drink, there were a large number of officers who testified to the second Commission that they could remember Stevens drunk on one of many occasions. Even the statements read in Parliament, which were supposed to contradict Calhoun, might well have been construed as collaboration, as for example Griffith's statement already quoted that before they took up this cliche perhaps the Government members should have explored the methods used to get these "corroboratory" statements.

In his evidence in the second Commission Griffith avowed that when he made his statement to the Solicitor General



"my part was to try to put matters back in perspective." Amplifying on this, he said he was trying not to exaggerate but "I would prefer, if one was wrong to err, to be fearfully rather than unconformably." In one part of his statement he had alleged his description of Stevens as a "heavy drinker" to "incoherent drinker" because he thought the former was "a little unkept." In another part he told an outright lie referring to the birthday dinner he said "It is true that the captain had to be escorted at an early stage during the dinner. I did not notice anything else unusual at the time." In fact, he later admitted he recognized that the captain was drunk.



The Government, in its efforts to prevent a new inquiry, quoted in Parliament statements that were not in its honestly worth the paper they were written on. Were not, sitting in Parliament that day was Mr. Samuel Landis, Secretary of the Naval Department, who knew full well that there were two statements he had not handed the Minister which further corroborated Cribben. One, a part of Capt. Wills' statement which was omitted, was only false.

The other was from Voyager's former doctor, Surgeon-Lieutenant Tyler, he had telegraphed from London confirmation that Stevens was very drunk at the birthday dinner. Landis told the second Commission that he had regarded Tyler's statement as "too cryptic." "I said that in the circumstances I thought it might be better if I destroyed the existing records and having done that send back for further and fresh comments."

Landis was also asked at this time about Tyler's evidence on the telephone conversation in which Landis persuaded him to give permission for destroying false comments. "I got the feeling that Landis was keen for me to consent to destruction of my evidence," Landis said he had no idea how Tyler got his idea "unless it stems from the fact that I did repeat it to make sure I had his words before I was a bit concerned about findings-out" (on the telephone conversation).

Whatever the truth of this last allegation there is no denying that Landis sat in Parliament knowing that the Minister was involved in saying that Cribben could find no corroborations.

This initial collusion of the Navy Department was to be compounded in the days ahead. Cribben's counsel at the second Commission Officer, QC in his closing address was forced to take back his allegation that the Navy Department had stood over some of the witnesses. But it is a fact that when it was allegedly "trying to get corroborations" for Cribben's statement the Solicitor-General's Department (acted on the end of its silencing) later the paragraph "I think said that I have not been able to obtain corroborations of these allegations from other witnesses already in Australia" which might be viewed not to have been allegedly denied effect.

When one comes to examine the evidence given at the recent second Commission, in fact it seems to be an uneasy phenomenon that the further an officer is stationed from Naval HQ the more likely he is to confirm Cribben's allegations. With the sole exception of Commander Dick Martin (stationed at Pervis Key) all the witnesses strongly supporting Cribben were from outside Australia. Commander Lewis (stationed to the Ministry of Defence at Bush, England), Lt. Col. Commander Crippen (of the British Navy), Lt. Col. Commander Holmes (born Stevens) addition to this, another admirer, Arthur Bowden (of the Australian Embassy in Tokyo), RAAF Squadron Leader Fennell and Dutch businessman Leberichs. They are certain of the facts and resolve in their confirmation. It would be interesting to know when the parliamentarians who spoke so vehemently about lack of corroborations first heard of their evidence.

By way of contrast, the evidence of the Australian serving officers is evasive, vague and at times fulsome. One officer referred Stevens' addition to this, another admitted he "must have missed a lot" at the birthday party. There is the suggestion of records being lost and others falsified.

There is the systematic going back on evidence. Petty Officer Freeman originally told Mr. Hart there was "nothing controversial" at the Captain's birthday but changed his mind when he learned that Sergeant Mackay had spilled the beans. Surgeon Lt. Col. Commander Kyd originally said that Stevens was "regularly" to the sick bay but later felt he had "exaggerated." Chief Petty Officer Young said that whereas he had originally said Stevens was in bed after Tokyo "for five days", he should have said "for about five days."

At the present moment the Royal Commissioners of the second inquiry are considering their findings. Some of these are inevitable, others will require courage. If, for example the birthday party events and the handling over of command to Cribben outside Tokyo were true, as is

now almost conceded Stevens was liable to meet mortal and loss of his command, as also if his ulcer was as bad as the almost unanimous evidence implies.

Well whatever the judgment of Stevens, this should only be the beginning of the findings. The general public will be most concerned at the exposure by the second investigation of the weakness of any such public inquiry.

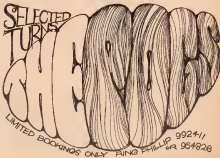
The Voyager Case has undermined an already crumbling faith in Royal Commissions. We have always been cynically aware of the candid hand-picking by governments of the commissioners but the lesson of the Voyager is how easily the public interest can be evaded by "hand-picked" commissioners' that implement data should be shielded from the open court. It has shown how a powerful government department with vested interests in the case, can exploit the totally incompetent and naive self-concerned of its dependants.

If the second Commission is really to close the book it must come to grips with the candour and dishonesty that have been the hallmarks of this case since it began—it must grapple with those suppressed facts and, hopefully, point to ways by which they may be eliminated in future.

And when Parliament sits next, the ALP will be posing Chapp's head on the block:

- why is the Navy so confident?
- why was only a sole commissioner of Sir John Spence's experience chosen?
- why was Robertson chosen as assessor?
- why didn't Chapp know what was going on in his own department? If he did, why is he still in Cabinet?
- why was the Government so reluctant to set up a second Commission? Did it know what was in store?

After Heenan's miserable performance over VIPs and Chapp's handling of the Voyager affair, the credibility gap has grown to a chasm. Who will be the next to fall in?



# the daring young man in the party mach- ine



awarded the Melbourne University A.L.P. club's prize for "services to Labor."

To understand both this striking change of focus towards young Andrews, and also the manner that an influential South Australian Liberal is already unconsciously to have him proscribed for a safer Liberal role at the next General Election, it is necessary to examine more closely his sudden political metamorphosis from Owen Jones to popular pacifist.

It is crucially significant that Andrew Jones probably owes his political existence to a personal blunder. The perception blunder for the most of Adelaide which he should have contacted with two other candidates was never made, because before the election campaign was to meet a supporter erroneously announced that Andrews had won endorsement. To meet two enthusiastic men according to *The Australian* (6-6-67) the newspaper report was simply confirmed and the disclaimer for the untold failed—a Mr J. P. Ballance—was compensated with endorsement for the neighbouring town of Port Adelaide. His loss however was Andrews' gain. Armed by financial support from local Young Labor units, 14 per cent voting in the Government, Andrews was the star—outstandingly more decisively watched election phenomena describing himself as "Liberal's friend." This drew an angry protest from Adelaide University Students Representative Council which pointed out that Andrews had only ever enrolled in one subject and attended lectures but rarely.

Andrew's first months as a fledgling M.P. provided more gossip than the rest of his illustrious colleagues put together—a fact which was heavily criticized to add insult to injury. An early-bird "Sun Herald" correspondent caught the youthful member picking bonfire across King's Hall at five break-out morning and the resulting publicity provoked several gifts of shoes from impassioned readers. His bare job of addressing the Prime-Minister's annual dinner in 1966 to 1969 was widely reported, while his respectable political life ("Comment") even suggested that he would the newspaper reception for the opening of Parliament by clambering over the Statue of King George.

His maiden speech was a parody of the youth which he wanted to maintain throughout in his representation. Full of naive generalities it resembled again "halfhearted attempts and awkward following long-haired short-haired, middle-aged highbrow pseudo-type radicals" although he also described a "real" attitude people and could conclude severely that "Australia is a class country with the highest moral standards in the world."

Amidst the praise for the unbalanced opinion which greeted these well-meaning platitudes he suddenly discovered that Canberra was "a very lonely place" and that the headlines yet again by becoming trapped in a home over-middle and young "thrifts" whom he had met vicariously on a blind date.

As this piece Andrews was visited by replies from all sides as a harmless but glibly popular who might be allowed his hour to strut and trip upon the political stage, and then be heard of no more. Such opinions however were quickly reversed after his famous "pass for peace" message to the Adelaide Liberal Club in 1967, when he told tales out of school in the depths of a public indignantly disavowed of politicians. His maturity ex-

posed of a day in the life of the House of Representatives as members "half drugg" had the time—although presumably still possessing a steady enough hand to "cut out your friends and have your job for given, conforming to popular notions of political morality" while his collapse of maturity was mainly demonstrated in the image of a lone member "standing on out of dust (Donald Duck comic). His chances of becoming a folk hero overnight were increased by his uncompromising attitude the morning after—"I neither regret the speech I made nor do I apologise for it as it tried to be objective as possible," he told the "Sunday Morning Herald" on April 21.

But then suddenly back Andrews finally in hand. They wrote him a speech which, although ordered, The moral object of criticism by a parliament in recent memory (SMH 31-6-67) at least assumed valiantly calm and interpreted that nation from the Opposition benches and particularly from Mr (Edward) Keating. Keating, naturally mildly behind the scenes, Mr Keating—whom most people believed had probably told the truth in the first place. Data (12-6-67) could not decide whether left or rightist deviated the speech, but as a Centre by-election must say it July the Prime Minister not only vigorously defended "Young Andrews" but also the first time—dared to tell him a leg was in the hurry for him.

And then Andrews has become accepted. No longer the party's black sheep, he is now one of the most sympathetic speakers on the Young Liberal and Jaynes grounds. Written his months he has put a record and written a book—which it more than many of his colleagues will do in that solid lifetime. He is one of the very few men in the country who can spend on being asked in the press whether carrying the most hackneyed idea (e.g. Universal call-up in SMH 16-3-67) or the most absurd legs the rights of bull magnets in "Sun Herald" 24-4-67). Even his rise of 380 and former appearance for four months for drugs at 19 people in a 45 m.p.h. race was laughed at as all part of the "young man in a hurry" not, although the transcript testified both to limit over-ambitious self-importance and his occasional gambler's high up in the Adelaide establishment. What other influence could be drawn from the following media exchange (given in past columns)?

**Journal:** What are your instructions for addressing a member of Parliament?

**Highway Politician:** I have addressed you as "Sir" and "Mr Jones"—what else would I tell you?

**Journal:** I was booked for 45 on Port Road the other day. Is it as similar to the one you are driving and had to ring Superintendent Broome?

**Journal:** What Superintendent Broome required in order to grant political absolution is not quite clear, but presumably he is not returned by the State railway to assist members to trouble with the police. He reminded with reference Andrews can have been a special case.

To have "Advertiser" support would be a disaster and if the newspaper up them who takes Andrews Jones makes him enough for that. Nevertheless one Harold may be forced to long his chairmanship badly leaving not as a short-term underachievement, but as the defining period of the Liberal as a young man.

When Andrew T. Jones stumbled by mistake into the political arena some twelve months ago he was treated by press, opposition and even his own party with that ambivalent concern which medieval English reserved for its village idiots. But now almost overnight "Chairman's Clever Prince" is being taken very seriously indeed.

Recently, for example, an anonymous group provided the backing—documented as well as material—for his far-paced drive against "the Red Canine of Communism" in June it seems that a senior officer of the South Australian Police Force was prepared for some ideological purpose to grant a policeman's dismissal to "look the King wonder for speaking. And now on rare occasions well instructed in the Adelaide Establishment are happy to underwrite ferociously heavy losses in publishing the dirty parade of news which comprises his autobiography. Not had prospects for a rise who only six months ago was

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## PHIZZGIGS cont.

Roy had a solid career and so has his brother, Thomas Victor Wilson, OBE. In fact, brother Tom has been very big in sports and sciences both privately and as a civil servant. And when he retired to NSW Collector of Customs in 1960 upon receiving 85 whiplash pensions, a grand Colonial administration after him? Why Commonwealth (Appellate) Counsel and when brother Roy was a bit up against it, what position could a — T

## RISE & FALL

**AT 11 O'CLOCK** on election night, the ALP was jubilant as the Senate figures ran 29-27-4 in Labour's favour. All that government ministers could muster were unattractive comments about the results favouring the DLP and that "there was no comfort in it for the ALP". The electorate is becoming used to Ministers' words growing less and less true as time goes by. But this time it was true. Through the next week there was a startling reversal of the ALP's grip on the Senate.

As counting progressed first South Australia and then Western Australia seemed to slip away to the government with depressing monotony. The final results haven't been posted as we go to press but it looks more like a vicarious than victory for Gough's new-age ALP.

So Edwin Haddock's statement after eleven years as head of the Defence Department dismissed several months' behind-the-scenes snuffling amongst the contenders to his throne. Unfortunately the heads of the Secret Department—who might normally be expected to be recruited to the post—had each successfully blown up their chances with their indiscretions. The Army's Bruce Wilson was the first to go, when, at the last election, he allowed slip a few confidential remarks on the wisdom of Vietnam. Then "Toby" McFarlane was implicated in the VIF scandal and the Navy's London in the Voyager.

So Sir Henry Blund was transferred across from the Department of Labour and Industry where he has been about discretion under Holt (Marston to Labour up to 1958) and Bert McManus. He also has the advantage of personal acquaintance with the PM and in the event of a palace revolution, his resignation.

As we go to press, details of the Cabinet reshuffle have begun to leak. Haddock is certainly no less, not a Minister, the best for Henry and Chagwa was the most probable although the Government must surely be nervous out of candidates for the most powerful job in the ministry for that reason if it is to keep its centre perpetually off in the dark.

Every other minister and newspaper will lament about the poor men who have been overlooked again. But if Kille is really to come into the Ministry, as we hear, then the Government will have finally reached the bottom of its barrel and bared on the green light to sympathy.



**Harrison — politician or publicist?**

*Labour's Best in the Spotlight*

**THAT OF 1967** — Mr Garry Locke SM, who denied natural justice to and wrongfully imprisoned an unemployed passenger who was allowed neither had nor the opportunity to seek legal advice. In procuring the award of a divorce in the NSW Court of Appeal Mr Justice Holmes commented:

"There was a clear abuse of the discretion in grant bail. The picture is one which shows how the poor work and legislation are still governed by the unbridled of justice is now which need a Pleading or a Decision to describe in words and a Pleading to portray pictures. What happened that day however to the applicant was only the beginning of the terms which were in conflict with before the proceedings before the SM were completed. The result of what took place deserves an appalling state of affairs in future of justice."

Lucky Gasellian said:  
 "We joined with him-like  
 saying about how good he  
 went in the fight."  
 "He replied: 'Oh yeah?'"  
 "He replied: 'Oh yeah?'"

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# ABC 2 OF MORALS

When the spokesman for commercial TV networks had his little blurt about low moral standards on ABC-TV programming, the Postmaster-General Mr. Whitely, wiser by behavior in making similar statements. Some might think the spokesman was pupped at the ABC's request; moreover, ministerial ratings. Indeed, it was all a matter of principles and ABC programming departments were obliged to speak to the first strain in the Postmaster-General (who controls ABC's license).

Strong opinions flared along the party corridors and in no time at all the New Look dominated every Channel 2 (or 3 as the case may be).

Dr. Findlay's Cookbook — Old Mrs. McCutcheon is dying and only the vaccine injected every in the Transcendental Pharmacy can save her life. But the pharmacist is away at London and Dr. Findlay takes an ethical and moral dilemma. To make the vital vaccine without permission would be stealing. Doctor and patient discuss the problem and Mrs. McCutcheon acknowledges

the correctness of Dr. Findlay's decision with her dying breath.

The Average — Mrs. Peel and David analyze the ambiguity of their relationship and its deleterious effects on child welfare. Emma visits a Marriage Guidance Council with her husband and they are entranced. David takes the pledge and enters a monastery. (Source: Premier Service at Emma, Italy. Credits to the London husband and Ronald Reagan as host.)

Contraband — Smugglers usually recognize that old Customs are best when the squad begins an irregular campaign in Sydney's rough dockside districts. This week a Chinese woman smuggling beavers in hollowed-out rabbit heads. Desperately and the Contraband, help to change his whole way of life. Features Chang Kuei-shan (journalist) and the Customs Chair with George Neville Shaw.

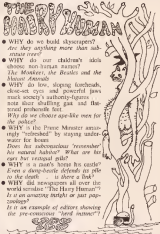
My Brother Jack — From the memoirs of Dr. Rowley, this is the true story of Brother Jack. Transcendental first thoughts.

The Dean Martin Show — Ketchikan, Alaska, Bishop Jarry and the Bellf Stars are the Dean's guests on this hour of woe. (ed. pag.)

Swing In Time — with Sam Beckler. Sam gives hints for every Saturday having trouble coping his career is less with his eyes. Simon Himmelfarb plays with his Face Camera. This week's commercial stories include a glimpse of the lucrative plywood industry, twin gaudes born at London Zoo and the threat of things to mushroom growth as well as a fierce debate on the government's Vietnam policy between the Prime Minister and Mr. Whitely.

Australian Footballers — Roll Overcomes at Javalors. (Formerly Australian Football.) Javalors — Distant adventure. Three phantom figures united in one to fight oppression and unscrupulous forces. Billhead — by Henry Rowland, adapted for television by Greta Meredith. Today's stars — Hilda, Ben and the Lawsons come to live in Billhead. All the established characters go back to Billhead and live comfortably together in the. Directed by Michael Pearce.

Give Us This Day — formerly This Day Tonight. A very lack of glamour. Gerald some interviews Gerald Lyons and finds they have something in common. Chair Dance on the cake and booze, Bill French congratulates Dr. Robert Mulgwick on attaining the age of 62.



## THE HARRY HUMAN

- WHY do we build skyscrapers?  
*Are they anything more than substitute roofs?*
- WHY do our children's adults choose non-human names?  
*The Monster, the Beastie and the Infernal Ancestor.*
- WHY do low, sloping foreheads, close-set eyes and powerful jaws mark society's authority-figures, note their shuffling gait and flustered profaneisms first?  
*Why do we choose ape-like men for the police?*
- WHY is the Prime Minister amazingly "rebecked" by staying underwater for hours?  
*Does his subconscious "remember" his natural habits? What are his eyes for watery pits?*
- WHY is a man's home his castle?  
*Even a drop-beatle defends its pile to the death. — is there a link?*
- WHY did newspapers all over the world scramble "The Harry Human"?  
*Is it an amazing sight or just pay-zooling?*  
*Is it an example of editors showing the pre-conscious "hard inner"?*

**I**NDIA has sacred cows, we have sacred cow cookies. For years they have been making the economy while the milkop baguets were deluded into thinking that all the subsidies, bonuses, grants and concessions are little enough thanks for a grueling life of service to the community.

5am Get into and kick up. Switch on the individualized conveyor belt. Wash hands, face and clothes. Back to bed.

5:30am Co-up men calls, live tadpoles in milk upon promise more karo in tomorrow. Collect mail—CSIRO pamphlets, cream, cheese, superphosphate, beauty cream, spray, towels, campy cheese.

10:30am Take Dandenonghills. President Bill comes out of fridge and down to the Five Acre Service Drive, Strawberry and food vendors.

12:00pm Vet arrives with antibiotic for old Ruby. Lady she's on personal medical scheme. Fill out HCP forms for rest of herd. Continue live. Take short X-ray appointments for the ka.

12:45pm Blue Hills riverbeds and slacks. BHP old mine. Murrumbidgee Mary. Opans doing nicely. Sorens.

2:30pm Kalamit Province. Black about spray hawk. I complete not growing just enough but prickly, intense and Salomon. Just driving. Boker leaves and for Blackberries on down to serve Ruby with a before. People in Conflict. Fill out Ruby's MRP claim form during "Casebook."

## THE UDDER SIDE

3:30pm Auctioneer arrives for yarn about moving to New Zealand. No subsidies except one for export. Polished off tax return number. Deposition on log milk-truck \$350. Bumped up Queensland's wages—adds \$800 each wife \$3,000, but keep \$2,100. Also Nightworkless. River \$2,600. Fined up long-distance point (mini) remember to start plotting soon.

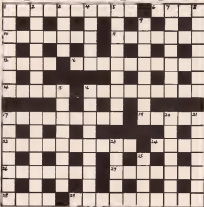
4:00pm Molester. Tenor's maternity allowance (where's Denny's endowment pot left). Bacterial scholastic cheese, foot-and-mouth tenderly cheery, tax returns, Customer Industries divided cheque, "So You Want To Grow Cattle?", Moody Country Party begging letter.

5:30pm Bloody mauling. Hard kick out with electric probe, switch on food and milk. "Cauder, Rubber" (remember myra dam pearls). "Lasse" (don't forget dairy beauty on Blue).

6:30pm News while waiting for tea. DEVALUATION! Prepare devaluation claim, expenditure estimate and Milborne House cheque. Put out the butter.



# OZWORD



## CLUES

### ACROSS

1. Deviated over Rob and Ade—but their women's quite responsible (5, 3)
4. Delays from a place in bed" (4)
11. Take charge of apes, when concerned with trouble and exercise (7)
11. Easy as obedient boy—er a hen? (7)
12. Fracture of a bewitching wife, though not a double one (4)
13. Reward at the buffet? (5-3)
14. What's wrong with a hamburger of sprout? (3)
16. Not straight in the lap, on the tear in present (9)
17. Does go here, presumably, to court (4, 5)
19. She's discovered in the act of drooling (3)
21. Something for the energetic to follow up—a man

type of post on a perch (5-5)

24. She's here! (4)
26. Narrow minded, like Lord Howe (5)
27. He holds the ingredients of a dirty look (7)
28. The type of blood to leave about (4)
29. Theoretical personality in a mental condition (7, 3)

### DOWN

1. Proudful smell of an awkward couple on a small boat? (7)
2. Run for transport in a musical fashion (7)
3. The god of love is overly sure! (4)
4. Dead tourists (5)
5. Do the wrong thing by embracing after a scrape—another fruitful result? (3)

7. The previous type carries both a coin and its change (7)

8. Find the source of the beer by holding the right pot (7)
9. Twice involved with me? Come again! (6)
13. Arch holds up 'bracket in a very commendable manner (8)
15. God's in the care of a beam of harder (6-5)
17. Perhaps contains a possible fence material (7)
18. A soft issuer provides the connector (7)
20. There's a danger signal in the woman's row — cream's molasses (7)
21. Construct one while you're splitting the stem (7)
23. I'd follow the one with the firm (3)
25. Length of paper? A chip holds one, anyway (4)

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